

Hello parents,

Today we talked about words. We read the book, **The Word Collector**

(Watch it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gmqTgDoWOC8> )

We shared our favorite words and talked about powerful words. Powerful words are positive words; they are kind and helpful. We can say powerful words to others and ourselves.

Some powerful words are....

*Thank you for...*

*I love spending time with you.*

*You are important.*

*I'm sorry.*

*You are/I am \_\_\_\_\_ (kind, funny, helpful, a good friend, awesome!)*

We practiced using powerful words in our class and the kids became word collectors (look in our classroom to see all the powerful words they have collected)! We would love for you to continue teaching about and using powerful words at home too. Tonight, we encourage you to look for times when your child makes a positive choice and to respond with powerful words. Taking the time to speak such words to our children has an immense effect on self-esteem, social/emotional skills, behavior and overall wellbeing. Give it a try and see what happens!

We look forward to partnering with you.